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Letter dated 9 July 2013 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I would like to inform you that I intend to appoint Ms. Jennifer Welsh of Canada to serve as my Special Adviser at the Assistant Secretary-General level on a when actually employed basis. She will succeed Mr. Edward Luck of the United States of America, who left the position in June 2012.

Ms. Welsh will work under the overall guidance of Mr. Adama Dieng, my Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, to further the conceptual, political, institutional and operational development of the responsibility-to-protect concept, as set out by the General Assembly in paragraphs 138 and 139 of the 2005 World Summit Outcome (see GA resolution 60/1) document. For efficiency and to complement their responsibilities, the two Special Advisers will share an office and support staff .

Ms. Welsh is currently Professor of International Relations and Co-Director of the Oxford Institute for Ethics, Law and Armed Conflict at the University of Oxford. Her research projects include the evolution of the responsibility to protect in international society, the ethics of post-conflict reconstruction, the authority of the Security Council and the notion of sovereignty. Ms. Welsh has a Masters and Doctorate from the University of Oxford, where she studied as a Rhodes Scholar, and an Honours Bachelor of Arts from the University of Saskatchewan, Canada.

I should be grateful if you would bring the present letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) **BAN** Ki-moon

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